

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (*Currently Amended*) A plant-on trim element, comprising:

an elongate, foraminous lath shell defining a three-dimensional shape having an interior cavity, said lath shell having opposed flanges extending therefrom ; and

an elongate core having a shape ~~elosely~~ substantially conforming to the interior cavity of said lath shell installed within said lath shell, ~~the~~ said core substantially being in contact with the lath shell and having at least one peripherally disposed relief defined therein ~~adjacent~~ separated from said lath shell; and

a finish coating applied to said foraminous lath shell.

Claim 2. (*Currently Amended*) The plant-on trim element according to claim 1, ~~further including a finish coating applied to said foraminous lath shell, flowing therethrough~~ wherein said finish coating is allowed to flow through and completely ~~encapsulating~~ encapsulate said foraminous lath shell at each said relief of said core.

Claim 3. (*Original*) The plant-on trim element according to claim 2, wherein said finish coating is formed of materials selected from the group consisting of stucco, plaster, and concrete.

Claim 4. (*Original*) The plant-on trim element according to claim 1, wherein said lath shell is formed of sheet material selected from the group consisting of expanded metal, woven screen, hardware cloth screen, hexagonal pattern screen, and foraminous plastic sheet.

Claim 5. (*Canceled*)

Claim 6. (*Currently Amended*) The plant-on trim element according to claim ~~5~~ 1, wherein said flanges are outwardly turned.

Claim 7. (*Currently Amended*) The plant-on trim element according to claim ~~5~~ 1, wherein said flanges are inwardly turned.

Claim 8. (*Original*) The plant-on trim element according to claim 1, wherein said lath shell shape and said core shape are selected from the group of shapes consisting of regular and irregular geometric shapes.

Claim 9. (*Original*) The plant-on trim element according to claim 1, wherein said core is formed from materials selected from the group consisting of foam plastic and wood.

Claim 10. (*Original*) The plant-on trim element according to claim 1, wherein said at least one relief has a cross sectional shape selected from the group of shapes consisting of regular and irregular geometric shapes.

Claim 11. (*Original*) The plant-on trim element according to claim 1, wherein said at least one relief extends the length of said elongate core.

Claim 12. (*Canceled*) The plant-on trim element according to claim 1, wherein said at least one relief comprises a recess ~~shorter than said core and~~ formed in said core.

Claim 13. (*Original*) A method of installing a plant-on trim element on a structure using the apparatus of claim 1, comprising the steps of:

- (a) securing the lath and core assembly to the structure;
- (b) applying a finish coating to the lath shell; and
- (c) filling the at least one relief of the core with the finish coating, thereby completely surrounding and encapsulating the portion of the lath shell over the at least one relief.

Claims 14-17 (*Canceled*)